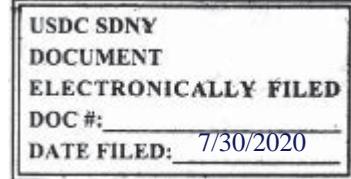


UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



United States of America,

—v—

Sherard Wadlington,  
Defendant.

20-cr-381 (AJN)

ORDER

ALISON J. NATHAN, District Judge:

This matter has been assigned to me for all purposes. An initial pretrial conference is tentatively scheduled for the week of August 10, 2020. The Court will issue a public order with the exact time and date as soon as a time slot at the Metropolitan Correctional Center is scheduled.

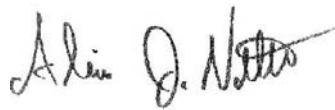
In light of the COVID public health crisis, there are significant safety issues related to in-court proceedings. If the Defendant is willing to waive his physical presence, this proceeding will be conducted remotely. To that end, defense counsel should confer with the Defendant regarding waiving his physical presence and provide the attached waiver form to him. If Mr. Wadlington, after reviewing the form and being advised of its contents, wishes to waive his right to be physically present, he and his counsel should return the signed waiver form no later than August 7, 2020.

Counsel are expected to put in a notice of appearance via ECF prior to the initial pretrial conference and arraignment. In addition, the parties should be prepared for the Court to set a motions schedule and a trial date at the conference and, therefore, counsel should meet and confer ahead of the initial pretrial conference as needed to discuss scheduling. Counsel should email the Court with a proposed motions schedule and trial dates at least 24 hours in advance of the conference.

Before the initial pretrial conference, the parties should familiarize themselves with the undersigned's Individual Practices in Criminal Cases, available at <http://www.nysd.uscourts.gov/judge/Nathan>. Per Rule 2.B. of the undersigned's Individual Practices in Criminal Cases, communications with the Court shall be submitted by letter filed on ECF unless there is a request to seal the communication, in which case it shall be submitted by email as described in Rule 2.B.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: July 29, 2020  
New York, New York



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ALISON J. NATHAN  
United States District Judge

April 2, 2020

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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**WAIVER OF RIGHT TO BE PRESENT AT  
CRIMINAL PROCEEDING**

Defendant.

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**Check Proceeding that Applies**

\_\_\_\_ Arraignment

I have been given a copy of the indictment containing the charges against me and have reviewed it with my attorney. I understand that I have a right to appear before a judge in a courtroom in the Southern District of New York to confirm that I have received and reviewed the indictment; to have the indictment read aloud to me if I wish; to enter a plea of either guilty or not guilty before the judge; and to have an attorney beside me as I do. By signing this document, I wish to advise the court that after consultation with my attorney I willingly give up my right to appear in person before the judge for my arraignment. By signing this document, I also wish to advise the court that I willingly give up any right I might have to have my attorney next to me for my arraignment so long as the following conditions are met. I want my attorney to be able to participate in the proceeding and to be able to speak on my behalf during the proceeding. I also want the ability to speak privately with my attorney at any time during the proceeding if I wish to do so.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Bail Hearing

I am applying or in the future may apply for release from detention, or if not detained, for modification of the conditions of my release from custody, that is, my bail conditions. I understand that I have a right to appear in person before a judge in a courtroom in the Southern District of New York at the time that my attorney makes such an application. I have discussed these rights with my attorney and wish to give up these rights due to the COVID-19 pandemic so long as the following conditions are met. I request that my attorney be permitted to make applications for my release from custody or for modification of the conditions of my release, even though I will not be physically present. I also want the ability to speak privately with my attorney at any time during the proceeding if I wish to do so.

Date:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Conference

I have been charged in an indictment with violations of federal law. I understand that I have a right to be present at all conferences concerning this indictment that are held by a judge in the Southern District of New York, unless the conference involves only a question of law. I understand that at these conferences the judge may, among other things, 1) set a schedule for the case including the date at which the trial will be held, and 2) determine whether, under the Speedy Trial Act, certain periods of time should be properly excluded in setting the time by which the trial must occur. I have discussed these issues with my attorney and wish to give up my right to be physically present at the upcoming conference. By signing this document, I wish to advise the court that I willingly give up my right to be physically present at the upcoming conference in my case on account of the COVID-19 pandemic so long as the following conditions are met. I want my attorney to be able to participate in the proceeding and to be able to speak on my behalf during the proceeding. I also want the ability to speak privately with my attorney at any time during the proceeding if I wish to do so.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Defendant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

I hereby affirm that I am aware of my obligation to discuss with my client the charges contained in the indictment, my client's rights to attend and participate in the criminal proceedings encompassed by this waiver, and this waiver form. I affirm that my client knowingly and voluntarily consents to the proceedings being held in my client's absence. I will inform my client of what transpires at the proceedings and provide my client with a copy of the transcript of the proceedings, if requested.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Defense Counsel

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name

**Addendum for a defendant who requires services of an interpreter:**

I used the services of an interpreter to discuss these issues with the defendant. The interpreter also translated this document, in its entirety, to the defendant before the defendant signed it. The interpreter's name is: \_\_\_\_\_.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Defense Counsel

Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Judge  
Date: